

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 remain pending in this application for which applicant seeks reconsideration. Claims 1-20 were indicated to be allowable if they are amended to obviate the § 112 rejection, namely removing the informalities identified by the examiner.

Claims 1-3, 5, 8-16, 18, and 19 have been amended to improve their form and clarity to overcome the § 112 rejection. Specifically, claims 1-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, because some of the claims do not properly associate the modulation coefficients with the respective segments. In this respect, the language "for at least some of the segments" has been included in claims 1 and 18, along with other minor language improvements. No new matter has been introduced.

Applicant submits that claims 1-20 patentably distinguish over the applied references and are in condition for allowance. Should the examiner have any issues concerning this reply or any other outstanding issues remaining in this application, applicant urges the examiner to contact the undersigned to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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